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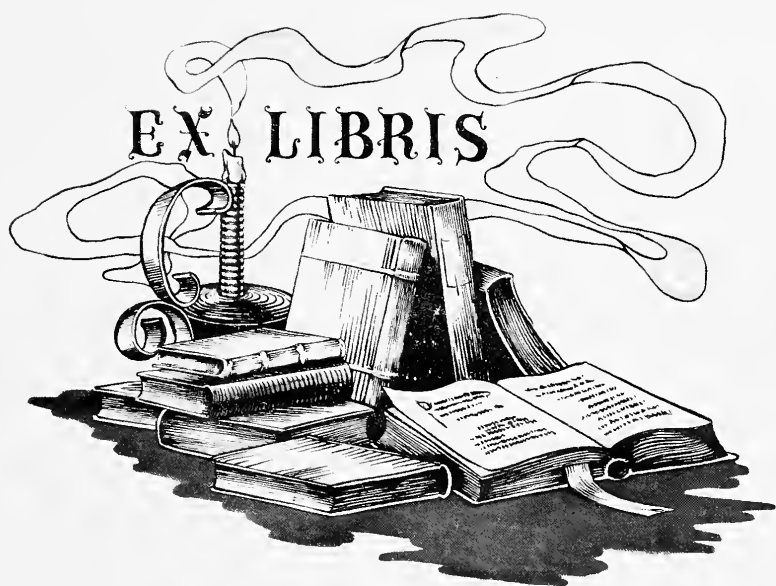
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To the community of Altoona, we the senior class of 1953,  
in behalf of the student body, dedicate our annual in appreciation  
to those who have made possible our school.





# Open House

Compliments of  
City Fuel &  
Zenith

As we walk through the High School entrance we see the all purpose room on the left.



The steps take us into the high school wing.

On October 31, 1951, a fire completely destroyed the Altoona Public Grade and High School building and sent pupils into temporary classrooms at the Altoona Auditorium, the YMCA in Eau Claire, the 6th Ward building in Eau Claire and in the church basements in Altoona.

The people were faced with the problem of securing new facilities for their children in the shortest possible time. A building committee consisting of Maurice Nelson, Joe Freid, Robert Ganther, George Wright, and Ed Fenner had been working on a plan for a new high school building at the time of the fire, and a 10 acre site had been purchased from George Woodington. Architects, Larson and Playter, were instructed to prepare plans and specifications for a combined elementary and high school.

The school board consisting of Fred Gloede, Theodore Brown, and Marjorie Musolf met frequently in an effort to solve the numerous problems facing the school. Due to the low valuation on the property in Altoona the borrowing power was very limited. (The law permits borrowing up to 5% of the assessed valuation.)

The city council agreed to have the city reassessed with the result that the borrowing power was doubled. With the \$35,000 insurance money, a small sinking fund, and a bond issue of \$120,000, it was felt that an adequate structure could be financed.

Excitement was high over the referendum vote which would decide the fate of Altoona High School. The feeling was unanimous that a new grade school should be constructed but there was a difference of opinion among the citizens in regard to the high school. Some felt that it would be more economical to send the high school students to Eau Claire. A record number of voters turned out at the polls and by a 5 to 1 majority voted to build a combined elementary and high school.



Some 1500 signed the  
Guestbook



The school board, who did  
so much for us.





Our spacious kindergarten provides recreation as well as education.

The architects completed their plans and the school board called for bids. When bids were opened, contracts were awarded to the lowest bidder in each case. Market and Johnson were awarded the general contract; Horel-George, the flooring; Grudem Brothers, heating and plumbing; and Thomas Electric, the wiring.

Total bids amounted to approximately \$208,000. The school is L shaped with one wing being grades and the other the high school. The grade wing includes a large kindergarten and 8 grade rooms. The high school wing consists of a large multiple purpose room and 6 class rooms.

The class rooms are: home economics; industrial arts, science, commercial, English, and social studies.

Other features of the building include a high school library, a modern lunch room, a steam heating system fired by oil, separate lavatories for grades and high school, a custodians storeroom, and adequate office space.

Parents demonstrated their interest by active participation in the P.T.A.'s money making activities. The 8th grade room was completely equipped by this means.

High school students earned money through magazine sales, Saturday movies, stationary sales, etc. along with a big boost from the athletic fund. A movie projector, phonograph, radio, window shades, and lockers were earned by the students.

On September 22, 1952, less than one year after the fire, the elementary pupils started school in the new building and on October 13 the high school students moved into their new quarters.

We have improved our educational facilities in many ways. Each grade has a separate room; the kindergarten is the first in the county schools, the heating and lighting is excellent. In the high school we have added Industrial Arts and Home Economics along with the subjects we have offered in the past. The multiple purpose room is used for lunch, band, movies, chorus, parties, meetings, etc. A large plot of land adjoins the school and will be excellent for spring sports and playground.

Altoona is a growing community. It can be justly proud of the modern school that it had constructed for the education and welfare of its youth.



Mr. & Mrs. Playter - architects  
Mr. & Mrs. Market  
&  
Mr. & Mrs. Johnson - general contractors

Home Ec is a new addition and greatly appreciated by the girls.

Compliments of Eau Claire Lumber



# Faculty

Thanks to Eau Claire Press



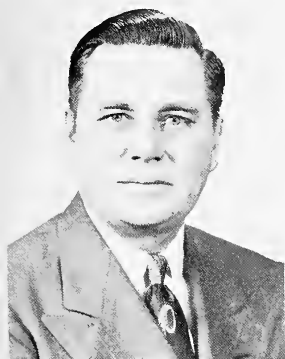
Eda Strand  
English  
Grade Music  
St. Olaf College  
Northfield, Minn.



Wayne West  
Industrial Arts  
Biology  
Stout Institute,  
Menomonie, Wisc.



Millie Benjamin  
Band  
Chorus  
Univ. of Minnesota



Einer Pederson **Principal**  
Math  
Bookkeeping  
Wisconsin State College,  
Eau Claire, Wisconsin  
University of Wisconsin

Ellen R. Peterson  
Homemaking  
Univ. of South Dakota  
Univ. of Wisconsin

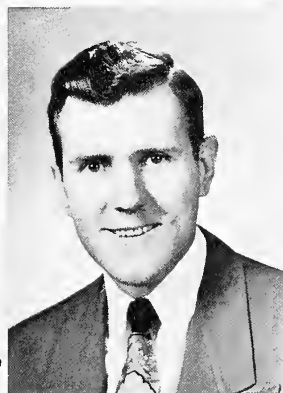


Mary Martin  
Speech  
World History  
Typing  
Social Problems

Wisconsin State College  
Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Thomas R. Lehman

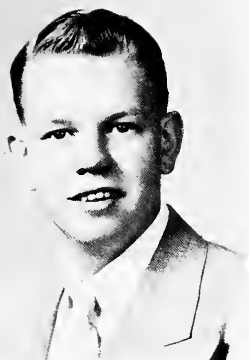
Chemistry  
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Algebra  
Physical Education  
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Eau Claire, Wisconsin







# Valedictorian



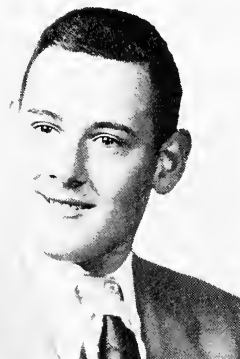
"Yippee Skippy"

Dean Nelson "Goofy"  
 Band 1,2,3,4  
 Basketball 3,4  
 Pres. 1,2  
 Sec. Tres. 3  
 Editor Paper 4  
 Asst. Editor Annual 4  
 Wanted A Hero 3  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Sense and Sensibility 4  
 Magazine Business Manager 4

## CLASS OF 53

# Salutatorian

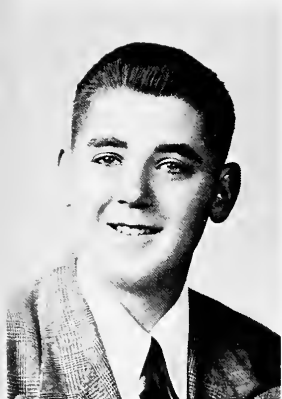
Frank Bundt "Franzo"  
 Golf 1  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Paper Staff 4  
 Annual Staff 4



"I Don't Care"

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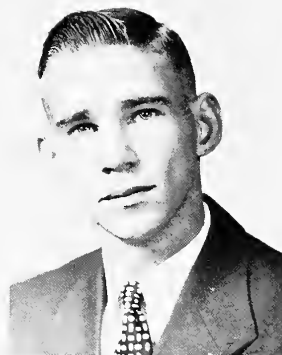




"Come Across"

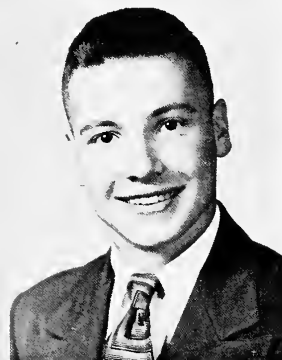
Arlan Anderson  
Paper Staff 4  
Annual Staff 4

"Andy"



"One Never Knows Does One?"

Ervin Hahn "Erj"  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 2  
Basketball 4  
Vice Pres. 4  
Student Council 4  
Paper Staff 4  
Annual Staff 4



"Where's Pat"

Arthur Burns "Hoover"  
Basketball 4  
Annual Staff 4  
Paper Staff 4  
Band 4  
Transferred from Regis 4



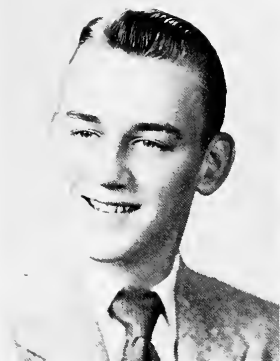
"Oh, Heck"

Pauline Duncan "Pete"  
Chorus 4  
GAA 4  
Annual Staff 4  
Paper Staff 4  
Transferred From Plainview High 4

# TOWERING TIMBERS

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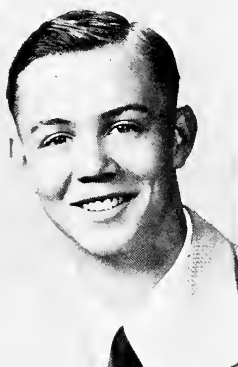


"You Don't Know Do You?"

*This Certifies That*  
**Ray Louis Henning**  
*has satisfactorily completed the Course of Study prescribed*  
*by the Board of Education for the High School Department*  
*and is therefore entitled to this*  
**Diploma**

Ray Henning "Louie"  
 Band 1,2,3,4 Sec. 4  
 Basketball 1,2,  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Paper Staff 4  
 Movie Machine 1,2,3,4  
 Sense and Sensibility 4

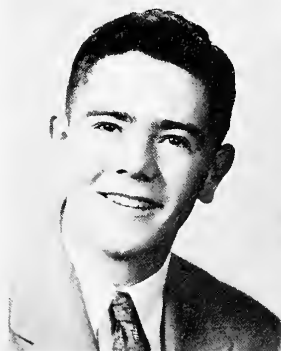
*27 day of May A.D. 53*  
**Howard Valeska**  
PRESIDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
**Marjorie Musolf**  
CLERK BOARD OF EDUCATION



"All I Got Is The Habit"

Robert Henning "Cobbo"  
 Band 1,2,3,4 Vice Pres. 4  
 Basketball 1  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Stage Manager 4  
 Paper Staff 4  
 Annual Staff 4

Donald Kersten "Donn"  
 Track 2,3  
 Golf 1,2  
 Basketball 1,2,3,4  
 Sec. Tres. 1  
 Vice Pres. 2  
 Student Council 2  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 (Prompter)  
 Letter Club 3,4  
 Paper Staff, Asst. Editor 4  
 Annual Staff 4



"I'm Donn Kersten,  
 Are You Famous, Too?"

Compliments of  
 Barber Shop  
 Looby's Store  
 Beauty Glo  
 Ruskin's Super Service





"Did I Get A Letter Today?"

Louise Leland "Wick"  
 Band 1,2,3,4 Tres. 4  
 Chorus 1,2,3,4  
 GAA 1,2,3,4 Pres. 4  
 Sec. Tres. 2,4  
 Vice-Pres. 1  
 Student Council 1  
 Cheerleader 1,2,3,4  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Paper Staff 3  
 Sense and Sensibility 4  
 DAR Good Citizen Girl

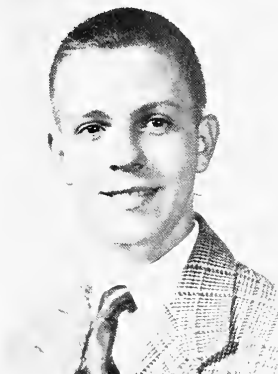
David Parker "Davie"  
 Band 1,2  
 Track 2,3,4  
 Basketball 1,2,3,4  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Paper Staff 4  
 Sense and Sensibility



"Cut That Out Now"

Donna Oldfield "Donny"  
 Chorus 3  
 GAA 3,4  
 Student Council 3  
 Vice Pres. 3, Pres. 4  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Editor Annual 4  
 Asst. Editor Paper 4  
 Cheerleader 4  
 Letter Club 4  
 Sense and Sensibility 4

Barbara Sullivan "Barb"  
 Chorus 2,3  
 GAA 2,3,4  
 Band 2,3,4 Pres. 4  
 Pres. 3  
 Paper Staff 3  
 Business Manager Annual 4  
 Wanted A Hero 3  
 Mountain House Mystery 4  
 Sense and Sensibility 4  
 Student Council Pres. 4  
 Cheerleader 4,  
 Letter Club 4



"Baby, You're For Me."



"Git Ta Git Out Of Here"

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 EC Co-op Oil  
 Norby Appliance  
 Jimmy Woo's  
 Ray Martin Texaco





# Class History

What a day, that Sept. of '49. Why? Fifteen of us made our grand entrance as freshmen at A.H.S. On Sept. 30, we were officially initiated as members of A.H.S. We immediately became active in activities. Our greatest acclaim came from our talkativeness and bright suggestions (to the teachers, naturally.)

President-----Dean Nelson  
Vice-President-----Louise Leland  
Sec.-Treasurer-----Donn Kersten

As sophomores we boldly walked through the door waiting for the pleasure of initiating the hapless freshmen. As sophomores our class number dropped to twelve as we lost Betty Dull, Jerry Lowry, and Darryl & Leonard Schacht. We gained Barbara Sullivan. We became more prominent in activities and placed Donn Kersten on the "A" Squad.

President-----Dean Nelson  
Vice-President-----Donn Kersten  
Sec.-Treasurer-----Louise Leland

## Our Seed Was Sown Long Ago

As juniors we managed to keep our class roll at 12. We lost Jeanette Yohnk but we gained Donna Oldfield and Ronnie Powell. Oct. 31, 1951, we were shocked to hear the news of our school burning down, but with undaunted spirits we went to classes in the city hall. Despite the hardships we managed to place representatives in band, track, dramatics, and basketball, as "Deadly Donn Kersten" gets a chance to prove his ability. Our interest in studies is rapidly decreasing.

President-----Barbara Sullivan  
Vice-President-----Donna Oldfield  
Sec.-Treasurer-----Dean Nelson

Our senior year has rolled around and we have been able to salvage seven from our group that started in the first grade. They are Dean, Don, Louise, Bob, Ray, Ervin, and Frank. On Oct. 15, 1952, we were admitted to the new school. In our final year we have taken an active interest in band, basketball, and dramatics. Our study ability naturally has reached an all time low. In our final year we lost Ronnie Powell, and gained Pauline Duncan and Chuck Burns. As we leave, our teachers are rejoicing, for they will be in peace.

President-----Donna Oldfield  
Vice-President-----Ervin Hahn  
Sec.-Treasurer-----Louise Leland

CLASS COLORS  
blue and white

CLASS MOTTO  
"You stand in your own light."

CLASS FLOWER  
white rose

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# CLASSES PROPHESY

MY

Diary

1963

I am now the managing  
agent at the Chicago Hoteling  
Agency. The salary is  
quite enough for the  
family. David

I have just broken  
the worlds basket-  
ball scoring record  
in my fifth year  
with the Minneapolis  
Lakers. Donn

I have opened a  
dentist's office  
in Altoona and am  
still driving my  
Cadillacs. (one  
each day). Ray

I have just been  
promoted to the  
rank of Chief Petty  
Officer in our  
Navy. Frank

Dave and I have  
finally quit  
fighting. I am  
now top model in  
Dave's agency. Barb

I am now the sole  
owner of the midway  
at Coney Island. Arlan

I finally became  
manager of my  
pride and joy-  
the Hoover vacuum  
Cleaner Company. Chuck

Today I became a  
resident of the  
Chippewa Colony.  
(Matron, of  
course.) Donna

Today Wick's Beauty  
Shop had a grand  
opening. Of course,  
I am working at  
Mayer's Dairy in my  
spare time. Louise

Today I acquired the  
title of Chief of  
Police in Augusta. My  
uncle just retired. Ervin

Today I celebrated  
my tenth wedding  
anniversary with  
hubby and 9 kiddies.  
Pauline

I bought out Urheim  
Drugs in E.C. and  
have made my first  
million. Dean

I now have 10 years  
rights on the rail-  
road and have my  
own fleet of  
Cadillacs. Bob



# Class Will

We, the class of '53, being of sound mind?? hereby leave the following last will and testament to our underclassmen. It is altogether fitting and proper that we do this.

Arlan Anderson wills his ability to get here on time in the morning to Richard Bresina.

Frank Bundt wills his sarcasm to Nancy Strauss.

Chuck Burns leaves his "Hoover" with Bill Shafer.

Pauline Duncan wills her quiet disposition to Neva McKeeth.

Ervin Hahn wills his singing voice to Doug Gutsch.

Bob Henning leaves his height with Billy Kersten.

Ray Henning wills his political opinions to anyone who is willing to defend them.

Donn Kersten leaves his basketball ability with anyone who can handle it.

Louise Leland wills her sweater girl figure which was previously willed to her to LeVon Hazelton.

Dean Nelson leaves his "Goofy" with Bob Valska.

Donna Oldfield wills her eyelashes to Sandra Lawrence.

David Parker wills his way with the women to Garold Lampman.

Barbara Sullivan wills her friendly disposition and ready smile to Patsy Steuding.

## Head Light Staff



Seated: Frank Bundt, Donn Kersten, Barbara Sullivan - Bus. Manager, Donna Oldfield - Editor, Louise Leland, Chuck Burns.

Standing: Ervin Hahn, Ray Henning, Dean Nelson - Asst. Editor, David Parker, Arlan Anderson, Pauline Duncan

Sponsored by Mac's Typewriter





Seated: Roger Rasmussen, Orville Larson, Mike Sturz, Donna Oldfield, Barbara Sullivan, Louise Leland, Sandra Lawrence, Carol Aaron, Don Wittren, Doug Gutsch  
 Standing: Harold Lampman, Dean Nelson, Bill Shafer, David Parker, Art Klohs, Donn Kersten, Chuck Burns.

## Letter Club

## Class Play

### MOUNTAIN HOUSE MYSTERY

Mary Sawyer -----  
     Levon Hazelton  
 Hilda Jensen -----  
     Barbara Sullivan  
 Peggy Sears -----  
     Sandra Lawrence  
 Harold Trueblood ---  
     Dean Nelson  
 Elizabeth Ford -----  
     Pat O'Donahoe  
 Maxwell Williams ---  
     Mike Sturz  
 Sandra Williams ---  
     Donna Oldfield  
 Jonathon Ford -----  
     Ray Henning  
 Mrs. Williams -----  
     Pat Steuding  
 Thomas King -----  
     Frank Bundt  
 Andrew Stone -----  
     Gary Schilling  
 Mysterious Girl ----  
     Marcella De Vore



Sandra, Maxwell, and Aunt Elizabeth search the treasure map, while Andy Stone keeps his eye and his gun on them.

Everything falls out as Andy, an escaped convict, out to get revenge on Max is captured, and Sandra's treasure is found.





# Juniors



First row. P. O'Donahoe, C. Aaron, S. Lawrence, R. Bresina, G. Lampman, R. Rasmussen. Row 2. M. Utphall, M. Crank, D. Heike, L. Hazelton, G. Schilling, M. Sturz. Back row. S. Strum, P. Steuding, C. McDonald, W. Maresh, A. Fenner, R. Maresh, D. Quick.

## The Spreading Branches

Our junior class of '53 numbers 22. We acquired two new students which we were very happy to receive. They were: Carlene McDonald from Milwaukee and Marge Crank from Fall Creek. Marcella DeVore left us in preference to married life.

We contributed Richard Bresina, Roderick Knott, Garold Lampman, and Roger Rasmussen to the "A" Squad, and several players to the "B" Squad. Band and chorus also boasted a number of juniors.

Class officers this year were:

Gary Schilling ----- President

Mary Upthall ----- Vice President

Dale Quick ----- Sec. and Treas.

Sponsored by  
Eagles Printing  
Barnes Sales  
Johnson Studio  
Churchill Tires





Row 1: G. Juno, A. Jacobson, C. O'Donahoe, S. Killen, G. Kliest  
 Row 2: M. Erickson, D. Harms, R. Valska, B. Parizo, C. Kolkind,  
 D. Nyseth  
 Row 3: M. Schmit, N. Strauss, D. Wright, B. Thompson, J. Lukes  
 Standing: J. Shope, B. Shafer, A. Klohs, O. Larson, D. Gutsch,  
 R. LaPage, L. Killen, R. Duncan.

## Sophomores

### The Scattered Twigs

This year the sophomore class lost Ann Jacobson and Donna Larson, but gained Marge Erickson, formerly of Durand. We put three men on the first string of this year's basketball team. They were Orv Larson, Doug Gutsch, and Dave Klohs. Bill Shafer worked hard as manager. We were also active in chorus and band.

Our class executives were:

Dave Klohs ----- President  
 Orv Larson ----- Vice President  
 Dick Duncan ----- Sec. and Treas.

Thanks to  
 Hovland Sheet & Metal  
 Henry's Sport Shop  
 Craig Motor  
 EC Seed & Feed





Row 1: S. Woodford, M. Shafer, D. McKeath, P. Johnson, J. Lenz, N. Gilbert  
 Row 2: K. Lukes, D. Marquardt, T. Kohn, C. Bassett, D. Wittzen, B. Kersten  
 L. Anderson  
 Row 3: T. Juno, J. Sullivan, J. Greene, T. Winrich, B. Gloede, T. Aaron,  
 C. Olson, R. Fenner.

## The Sprouting Buds

### Freshmen

The freshman class of '53 has a total enrollment of 23. We had two new additions from St. Benedicts Boys school. They were James Oldfield and Jon Sullivan. Jim is no longer with us as he acquired rheumatic fever and needs a long rest cure.

We are proud to have placed Don Wittzen on the "A" Squad this year. Don is also one of our outstanding students. A number of our boys played with the "B" Squad. We also took part in extra-curricular activities such as band and chorus.

Officers for this year were:

Bill Gloede ----- President  
 Chuck Olson ----- Vice President  
 Bill Kersten ----- Sec. and Treas.

Compliments of  
 Ace Curtain Laundry  
 Behrens Texaco  
 Brackett Texaco  
 Ken's Oil





## SENIORS

Louise Leland	Sec. and Treas.
Donna Oldfield	President
Ervin Hahn	V. President
Mr. Lehman	Advisor



## JUNIORS

Dale Quick	Sec. and Treas.
Mary Uthall	V. President
Gary Schilling	President
Mrs. Martin	Advisor

# Class Officers and Advisors



## SOPHOMORES

Richard Duncan	Sec. and Treas.
Art Klohs	President
Orville Larson	V. President
Miss Strand	Advisor



## FRESHMEN

Mr. West	Advisor
Bill Gloede	President
Chuck Olson	V. President
Bill Kersten	Sec. and Treas.









# BRANCHES OF



Oh, this atomic world of ours.  
General Science Class.

Ahem! Stitch.  
Home Economics



Give us time and we'll build a house  
Industrial Arts Class

# KNOWLEDGE

Compliments of  
Hoff & Culver's





Anybody reach 100 yet?

Typing Class



Just like mother makes.

Noon lunch hour



Chief Chefs of the Kitchen

Thanks to  
Olson's  
George's Food Market  
Ray's  
Reliance Motor



# Rhythmical Murmurs of The Forest



Bottom. M. Schmidt, J. Hendrickson, M. Handgartner, P. Johnson, J. Thompson, D. McKeeth, N. Strauss, L. Hazelton, B. Sullivan, A. Jacobson, D. Wright, Middle. S. Killen, C. Burns, C. Bassett, D. Nelson, R. Henning, B. Henning, M. Sturz, D. Klohs, E. Hahn, R. Valska, G. Kliest, B. Kersten, Miss Benjamin, S. Lawrence.  
Top. C. Burns, R. Radisewitz, T. Hendrickson, D. Board, R. Cornell, B. Gloede, G. Schilling, M. Shafer, D. Walker, F. Reiter, C. Larson, L. Leland, B. Shafer.

## Junior Band



Back. K. Gilbert, P. Olson, N. Marx, S. Kellholz, G. Gutsch, J. Bresina, S. Johnson, S. Abrahamson, J. Books, R. Yarrington, E. Marquardt  
3 Row. Miss Benjamin, G. Bresina, D. Shafer, J. Udler, J. Wright, A. Board, T. Grip, C. Glassbrenner, C. Olson, G. Marx, J. Wright, R. Smith  
Row 2. C. Schilling, D. Schultz, A. Marquardt, J. Thompson, D. Board, R. Cornell, J. Wittren, H. Moen, T. Griesse, J. Griesse.  
Row 1. R. Bellows, K. Anderson, T. Books, L. Sturz.

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Linmark's





# Band

# Solo's



Sitting. T. Hendrickson, M. Schmidt, J. Hendrickson, D. Wright, N. Strauss, L. Hazelton, B. Sullivan, P. Johnson, J. Thompson, D. McKeeth, L. Leland.  
 Standing. R. Radisewitz, R. Cornell, D. Nelson, M. Sturz, E. Hahn, C. Burns, B. Valska, C. Larson, E. Reiter, D. Walker

## Majorettes



Shirley Killen,

Sandra Lawrence

The Majorettes add glamour to the band with their snappy strut and beautiful uniforms.

Shirley Killen will give the marching signals for the band.

Compliments of  
 Confectioners Candy Mfg.  
 & Samuelson's



# Chorus



Back. S. Killen, M. Schmidt, A. Jacobson, N. Gilbert, S. Woodford,  
M. Crank, M. Utphall, D. Wright, D. McKeeth, G. Juno.  
Middle. D. Harms, C. O'Donahoe, C. Aaron, P. O'Donahoe, L. Hazelton,  
S. Strum, S. Lawrence, D. Heike, Miss Benjamin.  
Front. P. Johnson, J. Lenz, D. Marquardt, P. Duncan, M. Erickson,  
T. Kohn, K. Lukes, L. Leland, C. McDonald

# Solo's



Back. M. Schmidt, S. Killen, D. McKeeth, L. Hazelton, S. Strum.  
Front. D. Harms, M. Crank, P. Johnson, M. Utphall.

Compliments of the White House



# SCRAPS

1. Lehman in a hurry.

2. Barbs calling Dave.

3. Daves leading a dogs life

4. Music played by Bernie.

5. A feed for the boys.

6. A cowboy.

7. Theres no fire Rocky

8. You nosey?????

9. Hula-Hula by Judy while Dolores looks on.

10. Shannon is nice.

11. Frank and Bob with a big catch.

12. Donn Kersten????

13. Isn't love grand?

14. Caruso Mike.

15. What are Pat and Judy doing??

16. Donna is watching her figure.

17. Jerry Wittren

18. No\_t Bill Shafer?

## HOOVER

Compliments of  
Walter's Brewery







Seated: Garold Lamoman, Frank Sundt, Chuck Burns, Ray Henning, Donn Kersten - Asst. Editor, David Parker, Donna Oldfield-Asst. Editor, LeVon Hazelton, Pat O'Donahoe, Roger Rasmussen  
 Standing: Art Fenner, Arlan Anderson, Richard Bresina, Dean Nelson - Editor, Mike Sturz - Printer

## Toonerville Talk Staff Student Council

### The Mighty Trunk



Seated: Barbara Sullivan - President, Mr. Pederson - Advisor, Orville Larson - Sophomore Representative,  
 Standing: Chuck Olson - Freshman Representative, Mary Ann Upthall - Junior Representative, Ervin Hahn - Senior Representative.







"Gutsy" Doug Gutsch

# THE SENIORS

Don Kersten	31
Dave Parker	22
Chuck Burns	23
Orv Larson	33
Dean Nelson	35

With Don Kersten the leading scorer and runnerup Orv Larson going out of action next year they should have quite a time looking for scoring punch. And we can't forget that play-maker spot held by Dave Parker. Not seeing much action but holding down the reserve spots were Dean Nelson and Chuck Burns.



Art Klohs - Soph.

David "Art" Klohs "21"

Doug Gutsch - Soph

"31" Don Kersten



Don Kersten - Sr.



Don Wittren - Fresh

Don<sup>24</sup> Wittren

## NEXT YEARS PROSPECTS

Next years squad should have a powerhouse. There are quite a few boys on the "A" squad that will be a great asset to the team next year.

Doug Gutsch	- Soph.
Art Klohs	- Soph.
Rog Rasmussen	- Jr.
Garold Lampman	- Jr.
Rod Knott	- - Jr.
Richard Bresina	- Jr.
Don Wittren	- Fresh.

Good luck fellows!

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"Parker" Dave Parker

Dave Parker - Sr.



Orv Larson - Soph

Orville "Gigg" Larson "33"





Front: Manager Bill Shafer, Orville Larson, Art Klohs, Donn Kersten, David Parker, Doug Gutsch, Manager Mike Sturz.  
 Standing: Coach Tom Lehman, Roderick Knott, Richard Bresina, Don Wittren, Roger Rasmussen, Dean Nelson, Garold Lampman, Chuck Burns.

## A-Squad

It was an off and on season this year for the Altoona Railroaders as they ended the season with a 9-13 record. With only one regular back from last year, Don Kersten, the Toonyville men made this season very exciting in every way. We were beaten twice by Regis, Thorp, and McDonnell. Splitting games with Cornell, Osseo, and Fall Creek. Double wins were over Gilman and Cadott. We ended up in second place in the Western Cloverbelt Division. Though lacking experience in many ways, the Altoona men broke the team scoring record set last year. They overpowered the Cadott Hornets by the score of 82-62. Donn Kersten tied Chuck Rasmussen's high scoring record with 29 counters. Stanley, second place winners of the Eastern Cloverbelt Division, were our opponents in the Cloverbelt play-offs. The game ended up in an overtime with Stanley ending up victorious 66-60.

### DISTRICT

With Osseo and Fall Creek both receiving "byes", Altoona faced the Alma Center Hornets. Altoona proved again it was superior by dumping the Lincoln squad to the tune of 70-56. High point man was Donn Kersten with 29 counters. Now came the test for proving Altoona's real strength. Our opponent was the first place winner of the Western Cloverbelt Division, Fall Creek. You could tell that this was going to be a thriller, by the way the students acted in school. They made posters and had a pep assembly for the team to give them a reallsend-off. And again the Railroaders came through by defeating the Crickets 67-53. High point men for the night were Donn Kersten and Orville Larson with 23 and 21 points respectively. The Osseo Chieftains were the next opponents, but they had too much height for the small but effective Altoona men. We were defeated by the score of 67-50.

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Rodrick Knott - Jr.

★  
Rode Rick Knott "30" ★

### TEAM SCHEDULE

Altoona		Opponents
56	Cochrane	69
51	Thorp	76
55	Osseo	58
53	Cornell	52
46	Mondovi	71
48	Regis	79
58	Osseo	55
62	Cadott	46
55	McDonnell	58
66	Gilman	35
49	Regis	73
52	Cornell	65
66	Fall Creek	77
82	Cadott	62
63	Fall Creek	54
65	Gilman	39
63	McDonnell	68
60	Stanley	66
70	Alam Center	56
67	Fall Creek	53
50	Osseo	67
42	Thorp	57

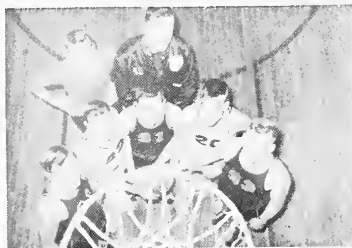


Roger Rasnussen - Jr.

Tom Lehman

### ALTOONA-CORNELL

The Railroaders pulled their first conference game out of the fire with a 53-52 win over the Cornell Cheifs. A remarkable scoring spurt by Don Kersten, with 22 points, helped in the victory.



### ALTOONA-COCHRANE

The first game of the season was played at Cochrane with the opponents winning the game. This first game showed how inexperienced the Railroaders were at the beginning of the year. Score was 69-56

THE STARTING FIVE  
Artie, Dave, Donn, Doug  
Orv, Bill, Coach Lehman

William "Whiskey" Shafer  
★

### ALTOONA-OSSEO

With a new defense style under their belts the Railroaders meet the Osseo Cheiftans on our home floor. The game was nip and tuck all the way through till the fourth quarter. It was then and there that the mighty Cheiftans showed that they had the best Center in these parts. His name was Darrel Fitch. Fitch stood with the ball above his head so our boys could not reach it. That little idea won the game for the boys from Osseo. The score was 58-55.

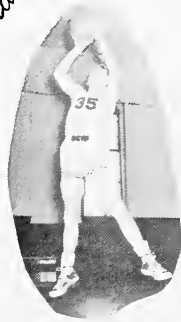
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Garold Lamoman - Jr.

"Garold" Lamoman 25

Dean Nelson  
"Jody" 35



Dean Nelson - Sr.



# B-Squad



Left to Right-Dick Fenner;Richard Bresina;Ted Aaron;  
Wayne Maresb; Ervin Hahn; Ted Winrich; Ronnie Maresb;  
Bill Gloede; Dale Qulok; Jim Green; Bill Kersten;  
Kneeling-Bill Shafer,Mgr; Coach Lehmen.

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Altoona - Alma Center  
 Playing the opening game of the Eleva-Strum District tournament the Railroaders got off to a flying start and held a 47-17 half-time lead, and then with Alma Center rallying, held on to their lead to win 70-56. Don Kersten scored 29 points to take scoring honors while Rog Rasmussen chipped in with 13 markers.

Kersten gets away a jump shot.  
 24 Wittern, 34 Rasmussen, Gutsch behind Wittern

Altoona - Mondovi  
 With four regulars on the bench, the Railroaders lost to the Mondovi Buffaloes by the score of 71 to 46. The boys played their hearts out but still lost to the veteran Buffaloes. Doug Gutsch and Rog Rasmussen were the high scorers for Coach Lehmen's Railroaders with 11 points apiece.



Rebound for Wittern

Kuhnert shoots for Crickets  
 21 Klops, 34 Rasmussen, 22 Parker, 31 Kersten



Altoona - Fall Creek  
 After splitting with Fall Creek during the regular season the Railroaders turned on the steam and won going away over a below par Fall Creek team. The score was 67-53. Don Kersten and Orv Larson were the leading scorers with 23 and 21 points respectively.





Gutsch goes around

#### Altoona-Regis

In a return game with the Ramblers at the E.C.H.S. gym the Railroaders played a better game than the first one. Altoona trailed by only 9 points at halftime but then Regis turned to a pressing defense which bothered the Railroaders and then coasted to a easy 73-49 win. Don Kersten was the only Railroaders to score in double figure as he scored 21 points.

#### Altoona - Regis

Playing in the first double-header at the college gym on New Years Eve the Railroaders fell to the powerful Regis Ramblers by a score of 79-48. Regis led all the way and Altoona never came close to upsetting the high-flying Ramblers. Orv Larson and Don Kersten led the Railroaders in scoring with 17 and 15 points respectively.



Two more for Kersten

Larson scores  
20 Gutsch, 21 Klohs, 22 Parker



#### Altoona - Fall Creek

Playing theCricketts on the E.C.H.S. gym the Railroaders spurted to a early lead and then fouls started hurting and the Railroaders faltered and theCricketts went on to win 77-66. Don Kersten and Orv Larson were the high scorers with 21 points apiece.



# SCHOOL DIARY '52 - '53

Sept. 8 High School Registration  
 15 High School Began  
 16 Magazine Sales Began  
 19. Class Elections  
 22 Grade school started at new school  
 David Starry, Lyceum program  
 23 Class play cast selected  
 26 Freshman initiation & dance  
 Oct. 1 Basketball physioals  
 6-10 No school (cold)  
 9 Senior pictures taken  
 9-10 Teachers Convention  
 13 High started at new school  
 17 Juniors select their class rings  
 Seniors select their announcements  
 22 Seniors solicate ads  
 28 Press conference at State College  
 31 Halloween Dance  
 Nov. 3 Basketball practice starts  
 14 9 Weeks ends  
 19 Class Play (Mountain House Mystery)  
 20 Cochran There  
 25 Elk Mound There (No contest)  
 27-28 Thanksgiving Vacation  
 Dec. 1 Carl Joseph Program  
 2 Thorp There  
 9 Osseo Here  
 12 Cornell There  
 16 Mondovi Here  
 18 Band and chorus concert  
 19 Fall Creek (EC High School Gym)  
 23 Christmas Party  
 27 Band Mothers Dance  
 29-31 School  
 31 Regis (College Gym)  
 Jan. 6 Osseo There  
 8 Cadott There  
 13 McDonell There  
 16 Gilman Here  
 22-23 Semester Exams  
 23 Regis (EC High School Gym)  
 27 Cornell Here  
 29 Annual Pictures  
 30 Fall Creek Here  
 Feb. 6 Cadott Here  
 13 Gilman There  
 17 McDonell Here  
 21 Stanley (Cloverbelt Playoffs at Owen)  
 23 Alma Center (Eleva-Strum)  
 25 Fall Creek (Eleva-Strum)  
 26 Dog Program  
 Osseo (Eleva-Strum)  
 Mar. 6 County Teachers Meet  
 13 Stocking Hop  
 20 Lyceum Program  
 21 Forensic Tourny  
 27 Band Solos  
 9 Weeks Tests  
 31 Operetta (Grades)  
 Apr. 7 Class Play (Sense & Sensibility)  
 20 Style Show  
 May 2 Band Festival  
 25-27 Senior Class Trip  
 28 Graduation  
 29 High School Pionio  
 June 1 Report Cards

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## GreaT Oaks From Little Acorns Grow

Front row: B. Lenz, S. Olson, L. Nertz, J. Sires, C. Rasmussen, G. Wood, R. Lawrence, G. Christ, D. Baehr, D. Stewart. Second Row: B. Gray, J. Campbell, S. Sturz, R. Jansen, J. Hoffman, D. Fischer, D. Fischer, C. Romaine, T. Roach, N. McDonald, C. Nelson. Absent from picture: J. Brost, M. Hawke, R. Kerbell, Y. Schlewitz, J. Sobcyack, M. Thorn, J. Turba, M. Wagner, J. Weiss, R. Schmidt









## First Grade

Row 1: A. Rau, H. Utphall, M. O'Donahoe, M. Anderson, R. Klungseth,  
 M. Lenz, Row 2: I. Lager, R. Michaelson, B. Wilson, Row 3: D. Freid,  
 P. Connell, B. Fischer, D. Stewart, F. Geiger, D. Boetcher, Row 4:  
 S. Fredreich, D. Patrow, C. Kolkind, E. Christopherson, R. Gilbert,  
 Row 5: D. Gutsch, J. Dull, L. Henry, R. Markgrof, C. Gibson, J. Foss,  
 A. Duszynski, P. Aaron, Missing: P. Gorell.

## Second Grade

Row 1: E. Knudson, S. Knight, J. Klungseth, H. Utphall, C. Aaron,  
 D. Werlein, T. Thompson, F. Lokken, Row 2: D. Krszjanlek, J.M.  
 Parizo, C. Harris, J. Fenner, D. Gray, D. O'Donahoe, D. Schultz,  
 Row 3: R. Hudson, L. Johnson, S. Rasmussen, R. Frye, J. Goss,  
 Row 4: H. Darrow, Standing: M. Lewis, J. Gordon, J. Biesecker, G.  
 Nyseth, T. Bresina, A. Fly, D. Werlein, M. Marx, N. Ganther, K.  
 Raebr. D. Rau. Absent: J. Marquardt.



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## Third Grade

Row 1: M. Lokken, M. Johnson, J. Compton, Row 2: D. Harris, M. Willson, G. Fleming, C. Pettis, B. Stewart, K. Field, J. Freid, B. Martin, Row 3: J. Bresina, F. Dull, J. Klingbeil, B. Behrens, J. Patrow, L. Kolbrak, Standing: Roman Gutsch, J. Radtke, L. Klungseth, S. Markgraf, D. Glassbrenner, N. Fischer, B. Peterson, W. Bellows, M. Wood, P. Weiss, D. Gorell, D. Sturz, M. Olson, Absent: S. Zimmerman, J. Ryan, J. Boettcher.

## Fourth Grade

Row 1: E. Anuerson, B. Fischer, K. Connell, B. Patton, J. Cornell, L. Brixen, R. Rowe, R. Frye, G. Fischer, P. Stewart, Row 2: Z. Doescher, S. Schultz, P. Shafer, S. Marquardt, S. Quick, J. Wright, Row 3: K. Anklaam, R. Behrens, J. Erickson, D. Frederick, Standing: S. Werlein, S. Christopherson, D. Henty, S. Smith, D. Gorrel, D. Klungseth, F. Darrow, Absent: N. Kuhnert, T. Bresina.







## Fifth Grade

Row 1: S. Upthall, R. Lokken, J. Heike, S. Klungeeth, Row 2: D. Shafer  
G. Gutesch, P. Olson, M. Compton, Standing 1: L. Jonnson, H. Fischer,  
J. Griese, M. Grip, J. Klingbell, D. Connell, J. Udler, Back Standing:  
D. Rasmussen, D. Schutz, A. Board, C. Glassbrenner, J. Thompson, K.  
Gilbert.

## Sixth Grade

Row 1: G. Bresina, R. Schudi, A. Marquardt, Row 2: T. Griese, P. Erick-  
son, C. Schilling, R. Bellows, H. Moen, Row 3: S. Abrahamson, S. Wer-  
lein, B. Stewart, T. Books, K. Anderson, J. Erickson, Row 4: C. Olson,  
L. Biesecker, J. Thompson, L. Sturz, G. Marx, Row 5: L. Gorrell, D. Lund.







## Seventh Grade

Row 1: J. Cornell, J. Lewis, R. Yarrington, T. Hendrickson, M. Moen,  
M. E. Handgartner, Row 2: S. Johnson, K. Frye, B. Radisewitz, J.A.  
Bresina, D. Christopherson, Row 3: S. Bassett, R. Gilbert, K. Kuh-  
nert, J. Wittren, D. Krazjaniek, Standing: D. Board, T. Grip, B.  
Klungseth, N. Marx, S. Connell, D. Aaron, S. Keilholz, E. Marquardt,  
R. Vaningan.

## Eighth Grade

Row 1: R. Werlein, P. Werlein, C. Larson, B. Smith, E. Kolking, D. Rei-  
dell, Row 2: D. Greene, F. Reider, D. LaPage, M.E. Patton, D. O'Donahoe,  
J. Hendrickson, Row 3: R. Cornell, B. Frederick, J. Wright, M. Sholp,  
D. Walker, Standing: D. Goss, D. Kersten, D. Vannigan, J. Loken, J.  
Rasmussen, V. Schilling, G. Gutsch, G. Bridges, Miss Turney.



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## Seventh - Eighth



Bottom Row: T. Hendrickson, J. Wittren, T. Grip, D. Green, D. Kersten  
 Middle Row: D. O'Donahoe, G. Gutsch, E. Marquardt, J. Books, B. Radisewitz  
 Top Row: D. LaPage, V. Schilling, D. Riedall, D. Vannigan, G. Burgess

## Fifth - Sixth



L. TO R. A. Marquardt, K. Anderson, R. Schudi, L. Moen  
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